Patents are a key way for CU to protect inventions made by its researchers. The university, as owner of inventions made by its faculty, students, and staff, can license patents to companies that know how to turn the invention into commercial products or services. Ideally, developing a "raw" invention into products and services desired by the public creates jobs, increases government tax revenues, and provides additional revenue to the inventor and university through patent licensing fees.

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